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Commissioner for Patents
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REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Official Action mailed December 23, 2009 ("Official Action"), Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following Amendments and Remarks. The shortened statutory due date for filing a response to the Official Action is April 23, 2010 with the concurrently-submitted fee and Petition for a one-month Extension of Time. Thus this Response is timely filed.

Amendments to the claims begin on page **2** of this paper.

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